

B2 The Canadian Champion, Wednesday, January 3, 1968



NEW INVENTIONS and the time-honored standards both get their workout after Christmas gift-receiving. Here Alfred Hiltz (left) tries out a 'Stingray', a fast, oddly-shaped snow vehicle. Patsy Carey (centre) sticks to the more familiar toboggan. Street hockey, requiring ice-like slush, some equipment and lots of ingenuity, is pretty popular, too. Here Bob Burke keeps goal against Darryl Dingman and Martin Cairns. (Staff Photos)

It was a great year ...

Keep Centennial spirit going be observant, helpful in 1968

Here dawns 1968. A new year, for new thoughts, new friends and new goals. What did you accomplish, however, in 1967?

By asking what you accomplished I don't mean material things. I mean progress in your character, your feelings towards Canada, your neighbors, certain viewpoints, and towards all people in general.

Have you learned anything? ... not at school, but about the ups and downs of your country, about your leaders, about your beliefs, (can you add to them or change them?)

Are you proud to be a Canad-

ian? Are you proud to work for your country, defend it, expand it, by giving your country everything you've got?

Do you feel any regrets? Are you sorry for anything you did, that your country did, or what the world is doing now?

I feel a pang of regret myself, now centennial year has ended. People seemed to have come alive in those 365 days, 1967. They seemed to realize they had a country. Everywhere you went, people were doing something to celebrate Canada's 100th birthday. All were caught up in the excitement of celebrations,

carrying on fund raising campaigns, parades, dances, old-fashioned days, anything you can think of. They were showing their pride in being Canadians.

They were spurred into helping their country instead of sitting back and letting others do it. People who usually sat around collecting dust and following routine, put effort forth to contribute something to their community.

I don't think they strained themselves too much. They seemed active enough to pick up their pay every week, or to go to a party on a Saturday night. No, I don't think it should have been too much of a strain for them. The national spirit in Centennial year took root. Expo, provided an education of other countries, cultures, and languages. You felt the hugeness of the world at Expo, and saw Canada in a new light perhaps. You saw her as an expanding nation, a little unsteady now, but slowly growing very strong.

As 1967 came to an end, I hope the enthusiasm for our nation did not end also. This spirit should not work on a time schedule that can be shut off and on with your own choosing. It should not fade, because in the process of fading you are letting your country down, small amount though it may be.

To keep Canada's spirit alive, people must strive to work together in harmony, rather than arousing themselves to petty argument and pastimes.

1968 shows promise to many people, in many fields, to many things. The new inventions, makes, models, types, styles, etc., are pushing old ones out, making room for easier and more efficient commodities. Although the world is becoming mechanized, people should not become mechanical in their way of thinking. Facts and figures are not anything in comparison to the emotions of love, ambition, hate and patriotism. It can not be said any one generation has been more prominent than any other. The older generation gave the country its memories, wisdom, it lectures; the middle generation supplies new ideas, different angles for different situations, and perhaps a new way of life, and the younger set supply the uncertainty, the dependence, the curiosity of childhood. All these are characteristics wrapped up in Canada's history, cultures, and people. This is Canada.

There is no room for too much criticism of generations, for soon the older generation will disappear, the middle will become older, the younger set will become the middle, and a new generation will be born, all in the course of a limited number of years. Time is endless, but the life of a country and its people, and culture, may end any time, if its problems and goals are not recognized.

Now 1968 is here, ready and raring to go, to do and to see. Do not carry the Centennial spirit off, and be active in your neighborhood. Don't become uninteresting, immobile, and stagnant, become all knowing, and all eyes, but please not overbearing.

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The Optimist Club of Milton YOUTH SURVEY

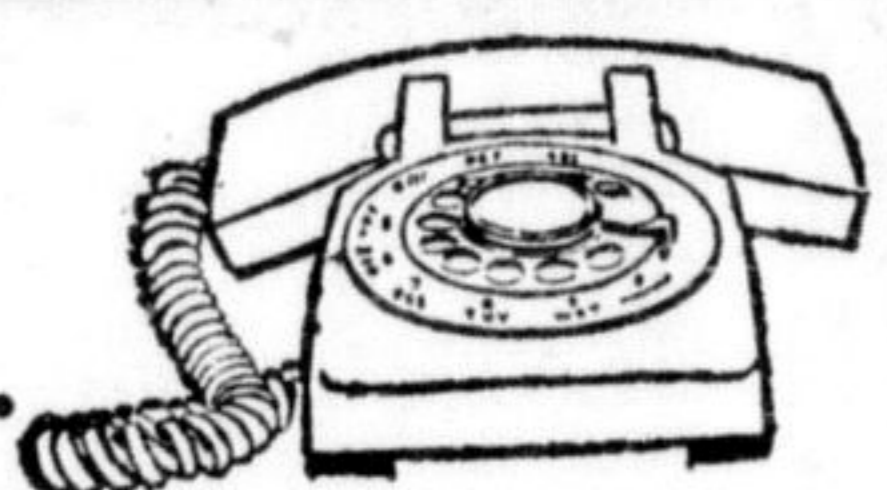
The Optimist Club of Milton would sincerely appreciate your co-operation and indulgence in helping us to conduct a basic survey to determine how we can best expend our efforts and monies with the greatest efficiency toward helping the youth of our community with recreational facilities in the community.

Our intent is to benefit as many of our youth as possible with our resources.

1. Do you know of any specific deficiency in your facilities in the Milton area?
2. What age group, in your opinion, needs guidance most? Why?
3. Do you belong to, or know of, any group that is conducting or starting a youth activity? Where? Days and Hours?
4. In your opinion, can more of our youth be benefitted by (a) Large athletic programs? (b) Individual neighborhood activities?
5. Is the need for activities greater during summer or winter months?
6. Do we need a youth centre in this area? What facilities should it contain?
7. What facilities are presently available in our area that could be used for further recreational needs of youth?
8. What properties, if any, are available by gifts or loan that could be developed for this purpose?
9. What in your opinion, is the greatest need of our youth in the area? Summarize.
10. Further comments.

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
(Note - any answers not accompanied by the writer's name and address will not be considered.)
SEND TO:
OPTIMIST CLUB OF MILTON,
264 Kingsleigh Court,
Milton, Ont.

MAYBE You Heard...



By Larry Martin, Youth Front Co-ordinator

* The average Yorkville hippie is bright. Field and paper work by the Ontario Alcoholism and Drug Addiction Research Foundation indicates they're more intelligence than most college freshmen. The study was started to find out why the village happened, and included interviews with the residents. That old question about the fate of aging villagers was commented on, too. Dr. Reginald Smart, who headed up the Yorkville safari, suggested they will rejoin the 'accepted' society.

* Round Two of the school year started today (Wednesday). Wipe your eyes dry and look at it this way -- it's only about 10 weekends until winter holidays. Then another three months or so and Freedom.

* Hooray! A committee has been formed to act as a liaison between the youth of Milton and the Milton Optimist Club. The ultimate goal is to get a youth centre established. Optimist president Herb Higgs has expressed interest on behalf of the club from the start, but it's easily understandable the Optimists would like to see some ball-rolling from this side too. It's unlikely the Optimists will be making use of the centre after it's established, although I'm sure they'd be welcome anytime. It's YOU!

* The Beatles' color television movie, 'Magical Mystery Tour' seems to have bombed-out in London. The production left a lot of Merrie Olde Englanders scratching their heads for a meaning. Nobody's perfect, and maybe the pride of Sergeant Pepper's Battalion will retire. Again.

At M. M. Robinson

Grade eights get preview report cards distributed

By Marsha Zuest

To conclude our first term of study, a Christmas concert was presented for the students. Many of the classes presented amusing skits but there were also song and dance acts. At the conclusion of the entertainment, Santa arrived with his elves (teachers in disguise). Santa brought gifts for a number of the students and teachers who seemed to have idiosyncracies.

During the last week of school, the halls were gaily decorated as a result of a contest conjured up by Student Council. Each class was required to decorate their home room door on a seasonal theme, but decorations were to be entirely non-commercial. The ornaments ranged from extremely simple to very elaborate but they were all impressive and added a great deal to the school.

The prize of candy canes was presented to the president of 9D at the Christmas concert.

Recently, many of the grade 10 two year students visited a Hamilton court. This trip was designed to educate them in the way a court is conducted and to see the different cases which come up.

A Grade Eight night was recently held at the school. Grade eight students who attended found what is offered to them at M.M. Robinson and were free to wander through the school. In this way they were able to see what they were going to get themselves into next year.

Report cards were issued Friday, December 22, and the students were faced with either pain or joy as a result of the marks. It was announced in a letter sent home parent-teacher interviews would be held the first two weeks of January.

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January 2, 1968

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